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Attached is a PTO-Form 1449 listing the documents cited in the enclosed European Search Report, in which the relevance is indicated. No further statement of relevance is required.

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A copy of each of the listed documents is enclosed.

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In view of the above, no further translation or statement of relevance is required, and as all requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and all official guide lines pertaining to Information Disclosure Statements have been complied with, and it is therefore respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the documents and make them of record.

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